EXHIBIT A

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

IN RE SCHERING-PLOUGH CORPORATION ERISA LITIGATION))) CIVIL AC	CTION NO. 03-1204 (KSH)
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SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

This SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT ("Settlement Agreement") is entered into by and among (i) the Named Plaintiff in the above-captioned Action for herself and on behalf of the Settlement Class and the Plan, and (ii) the Schering-Plough Corporation, now known as Merck & Co., Inc., the Schering-Plough Employee Benefits Committee, the Schering-Plough Employee Benefits Investment Committee, and the Individual Defendants (collectively, "Defendants").

WHEREAS, Named Plaintiff in the above-captioned Action asserts various Claims for relief under ERISA against Defendants, all of which Claims are disputed by Defendants; and

WHEREAS, the *Parties* desire to promptly and fully resolve and settle with finality the *Action*;

NOW, THEREFORE, the *Parties*, in consideration of the promises, covenants and agreements herein described, and for other good and valuable consideration, acknowledged by each of them to be satisfactory and adequate, and intending to be legally bound, do hereby mutually agree as follows:

1. **DEFINITIONS**

As used in this Settlement Agreement, italicized and capitalized terms and phrases not otherwise defined have the meanings provided below:

- 1.1. "Action" shall mean In re Schering-Plough Corporation ERISA Litigation, No. 03-1204 (KSH) (D.N.J.), and any and all cases now or hereafter consolidated therewith.
- 1.2. "Agreement Execution Date" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 11.12.
- 1.3. "Affiliates" shall mean any entity (whether a corporation, partnership, or other trade or business) under "common control" with Schering-Plough, as defined in ERISA § 3(40)(B)(iii).
- 1.4. "Claims" shall mean any and all claims, counterclaims, demands, actions, causes of action, judgments, debts, expenses, losses, liabilities, and obligations, including attorneys' fees, expenses and costs.

- 1.5. "Case Contribution Award" shall mean the monetary amount awarded by the District Court to be paid from the Class Settlement Amount in recognition of Named Plaintiff's assistance in the prosecution of this Action, for which Lead Counsel may seek an amount not exceeding \$10,000.00.
- 1.6. "Class Notice" shall mean the form of notice appended as Exhibit A to the form of Preliminary Approval Order, attached hereto as Exhibit 1.
- 1.7. "Class Period" shall mean the period from July 29, 1998 to April 18, 2007.
- 1.8. "Class Settlement Amount" shall mean the sum of eight million five hundred thousand dollars (\$8,500,000.00).
- 1.9. "Company" shall mean Schering-Plough, each of its Affiliates, and each of its predecessors and Successors-In-Interest.
- 1.10. "Company Stock Fund" shall mean the Schering-Plough Stock Fund, an investment fund within the Plan that invested primarily in shares of Schering-Plough Stock.
- 1.11. "Complaint" shall mean the First Amended Consolidated Complaint for Breach of Fiduciary Duty Under ERISA, filed on March 30, 2006 in the Action.
- 1.12. "Defendants" shall mean the Individual Defendants, Schering-Plough, the Schering-Plough Employee Benefits Committee and the Schering-Plough Employee Benefits Investment Committee.
- 1.13. "Defendants' Insurer" shall mean Chartis Insurance, Inc., as Successor to National Union Fire Insurance Company of Pittsburgh, PA, which insured Defendants under Policy No. 872-04-60, during the policy period from December 31, 2000 to December 31, 2001.
- 1.14. "Defendants' Released Claims" shall mean any and all Claims relating to the institution or prosecution of the Action or relating to the settlement of any of Plaintiff's Released Claims.
- 1.15. "Defendants' Released Persons" shall mean the Named Plaintiff, the Settlement Class, Lead Counsel, Liaision Counsel and their appointed representatives.
- 1.16. "District Court" shall mean the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey.
- 1.17. "Effective Date" shall mean the date on which the Final Judgment becomes Final.
- 1.18. "ERISA" shall mean the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended, including all regulations promulgated and case law thereunder.
- 1.19. "Fairness Hearing" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.1.5.

- 1.20. "Final" shall mean, with respect to any judicial ruling or order, that: (a) the time has expired to file an appeal, motion for reargument, motion for rehearing, petition for a writ of certiorari or other writ with respect to such judicial ruling or order with no such appeal, motion, petition or writ having been filed; or (b) if an appeal, motion for reargument, motion for rehearing, petition for a writ of certiorari or other writ has been filed with respect to such judicial ruling or order, (i) the judicial ruling or order has been affirmed without modification and with no further right of review, or (ii) such appeal, motion, petition, or writ has been denied or dismissed with no further right of review.
- 1.21. "Final Judgment" shall mean a judgment substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit 2.
- 1.22. "Financial Institution" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.1.1.
- 1.23. "Independent Fiduciary" shall mean a Plan fiduciary retained by Schering-Plough, in Schering-Plough's sole discretion, to evaluate the fairness of the Settlement to the Plan and issue a release on the Plan's behalf. The Independent Fiduciary shall have no relationship to or interest in Named Plaintiff or Defendants that might affect such Person's best judgment as a fiduciary.
- 1.24. "Individual Defendants" shall mean Richard J. Kogan, Regina E. Herzlinger, Eugene R. McGrath, Donald L. Miller, Carl E. Mundy, James Wood, Patricia F. Russo, David H. Komansky, Kathryn C. Turner, John Ryan, Vincent Sweeney, E. Kevin Moore, Jack L. Wyszomierski, and Joseph J. LaRosa.
- 1.25. "Lead Counsel" shall mean Barroway Topaz Kessler Meltzer & Check, LLP.
- 1.26. "Liaison Counsel" shall mean Lite DePalma Greenberg, LLC.
- 1.27. "Mediator" shall mean The Honorable Nicholas H. Politan (Ret.).
- 1.28. "Named Plaintiff" or "Plaintiff" shall mean Michele Wendel.
- 1.29. "Parties" shall mean Named Plaintiff and Defendants.
- 1.30. "Person" shall mean an individual, partnership, corporation, governmental entity or any other form of entity or organization.
- 1.31. "Plaintiff's Released Claims" shall mean any and all past, present, and future Claims, known or unknown, accrued or unaccrued, by or on behalf of the Plan, the Named Plaintiff, and each and every member of the Settlement Class, and their respective heirs, beneficiaries, executors, administrators, past and present partners, agents, attorneys, and assigns against Plaintiff's Released Persons that: (a) were brought or could have been brought in either an individual or derivative capacity against Defendants in the Action; (b) arise out of the Action or are in any way related to any of the acts, omissions, facts, matters, transactions or occurrences alleged in the Complaint; or (c) were or could have been asserted under ERISA based on or relating to investment in Schering-Plough Stock or the Company Stock Fund by or through the Plan during the Class Period.

Plaintiff's Released Claims shall also include any and all Claims relating to any actions or conduct by Plaintiff's Released Persons related to the calculation or allocation of the Settlement Fund pursuant to the Plan of Allocation, provided such actions or conduct are carried out in good faith and non-negligently. Nothing in this Settlement shall release or discharge any Claim that has been asserted in the First Amended Class Action Complaint, filed on October 1, 2009, in the separate action of In re Schering-Plough Corporation ENHANCE ERISA Litigation, No. 08-cv-1432 (DMC) (D.N.J.) (Docket No. 47).

- 1.32. "Plaintiff's Released Persons" shall mean (a) Schering-Plough and its parents, Affiliates, partners, subsidiaries, predecessors, Successors, assigns, and past or present directors, officers, employees, associates, controlling persons, attorneys, counselors, insurers, reinsurers, financial or investment advisors, consultants, accountants, advisors, representatives or agents, and (b) each of the other Defendants and their respective family members, heirs, executors, trustees, personal representatives, estates or administrators, attorneys, counselors, insurers, reinsurers, financial or investment advisors, consultants, accountants, advisors, representatives or agents.
- 1.33. "Plan" shall mean the Schering-Plough Employees' Savings Plan and all predecessor and successor plans, individually and collectively, and any trust created under such Plan. This definition includes the assets of the Schering-Plough Employees' Profit-Sharing Incentive Plan, which was merged into the Schering-Plough Employees' Savings Plan on or about September 10, 2004.
- 1.34. "Plan of Allocation" shall mean the Plan of Allocation approved by the District Court as contemplated by Sections 2.1.4 and 2.1.5 and described in Section 8.3.3 and in the form attached hereto as Exhibit 3.
- 1.35. "Preliminary Approval Order" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.1.1 and be in the form attached hereto as Exhibit 1.
- 1.36. "Preliminary Approval Motion" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.1.1.
- 1.37. "Schering-Plough" shall mean the Schering-Plough Corporation, now known as Merck & Co., Inc., and each of its Affiliates, predecessors and Successors-In-Interest.
- 1.38. "Schering-Plough Stock" shall mean shares of Schering-Plough common stock.
- 1.39. "Settlement" shall mean the settlement to be consummated under this Settlement Agreement.
- 1.40. "Settlement Agreement" shall mean this Settlement Agreement, including any modifications or amendments adopted pursuant to Section 11.3.
- 1.41. "Settlement Class" shall mean all Persons (excluding the Defendants) who were participants in or beneficiaries (including alternate payees) of the Plan at any time between July 29, 1998 to April 18, 2007, and whose accounts included investment in the Company Stock Fund at any point during that time period.

- 1.42. "Settlement Fund" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.1 and all subparts thereof.
- 1.43. "Successors" or "Successors-In-Interest" shall mean a Person's estate, legal representatives, heirs, successors, or assigns, including successors or assigns that result from corporate mergers or other structural changes.

2. CONDITIONS AND OBLIGATIONS RELATING TO THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE SETTLEMENT

The Settlement shall not become effective unless and until each and every one of the conditions and obligations in Sections 2.1 through 2.5 has been either satisfied or waived in writing by the Party entitled to the benefit of the condition or obligation:

- 2.1. Condition #1: District Court Approval and Class Certification. The District Court must have approved the Settlement and certified the Action as a class action for settlement purposes in accordance with the following steps:
 - 2.1.1. Motion for Preliminary Approval of Settlement. The Parties will, in good faith, use their respective reasonable best efforts to enable the Named Plaintiff to file a motion ("Preliminary Approval Motion") with the District Court for an order, substantially in the form annexed hereto as Exhibit 1, including the exhibits thereto (the "Preliminary Approval Order") as soon as practicable, and the Parties shall, in good faith, take reasonable steps to (a) secure expeditious entry of the Preliminary Approval Order by the District Court; and (b) seek a date for the Fairness Hearing, described in Section 2.1.5, sixty (60) days from the mailing of the Class Notice, or at such other time set by the District Court in accordance with Section 2.1.5.
 - 2.1.2. <u>Class Certification</u>. In connection with the proceedings on preliminary and final approval of the proposed *Settlement*, *Named Plaintiff* shall, through *Lead Counsel*, seek orders (preliminary and final, respectively) certifying the *Settlement Class* pursuant to FED. R. Civ. P. 23(b)(1) and *Defendants* shall consent to such certification of the *Settlement Class* for purposes of this *Settlement* only.
 - 2.1.3. Entry of Preliminary Approval Order. The District Court shall enter a Preliminary Approval Order substantially in the form annexed hereto as Exhibit 1.
 - 2.1.4. <u>Issuance of Class Notice</u>. Pursuant to the Preliminary Approval Order to be entered by the District Court, Lead Counsel shall cause the Class Notice to be disseminated to the Settlement Class. Schering-Plough shall use its reasonable best efforts in good faith to provide Lead Counsel, in electronic format, within thirty (30) days following the date on which the District Court enters the Preliminary Approval Order, the names and last known addresses of the Settlement Class and timely respond to any reasonable written requests for

accessible data in Schering-Plough or the Plan's custody or control necessary to effectuate notice and implement, enforce or determine the administrability of a Plan of Allocation (as described and/or provided for herein). No charge against the Settlement Fund or to Named Plaintiff, Lead Counsel, Liaison Counsel, or the Settlement Class shall be made, directly or indirectly, for the gathering or the provision of such information or assistance.

- 2.1.5. The Fairness Hearing. In connection with the Preliminary Approval Motion, the Parties will request that the District Court schedule and conduct a hearing sixty (60) days from the mailing of the Class Notice, at which it will consider whether the Settlement is fair, reasonable, and adequate pursuant to Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure (the "Fairness Hearing"). Specifically, the Named Plaintiff will request that the District Court determine, on or after the Fairness Hearing: (a) whether to enter Final Judgment, substantially in the form attached as Exhibit 2, granting final approval of the Settlement and dismissing with prejudice the Action; (b) whether the distribution of the Class Settlement Amount as provided in the Plan of Allocation should be approved or modified; (c) what legal fees, compensation and expenses should be awarded to Lead Counsel and Liaison Counsel as contemplated by Section 10 of this Settlement Agreement; and (d) what amount of Case Contribution Award, if any, should be awarded to the Named Plaintiff. The Parties agree to support entry of the Final Judgment. Defendants shall not take any position with respect to the matters described in clauses (b), (c) or (d) of this Section 2.1.5, so long as disposition of those matters is substantially in accordance with the provisions of Section 8 and Section 10 of this Settlement Agreement. The Parties otherwise covenant and agree that they will reasonably cooperate with one another in seeking entry of the Final Judgment.
- 2.2. Condition #2: Funding of Class Settlement Amount. Defendants must have caused the Class Settlement Amount to be deposited into the Settlement Fund in accordance with Section 7.2.
- 2.3. Condition #3: Finality of Final Judgment. The Final Judgment must have become Final.
- 2.4. Condition #4: Independent Flductary's Approval.
 - 2.4.1. Approval by the Independent Fiduciary. The Independent Fiduciary must have approved the Settlement in accordance with this Section 2.4.1. Subject to Schering-Plough's right to waive this condition, as described in Section 2.4.2, the Settlement shall be contingent upon the Independent Fiduciary: (a) approving the Settlement in writing; (b) granting a written release of Plaintiff's Released Claims to Plaintiff's Released Persons on behalf of the Plan; and (c) either (i) authorizing the Settlement in accordance with Prohibited Transaction Class Exemption 2003-39, or (ii) finding that the Settlement does not constitute a prohibited transaction under ERISA § 406, in each case in a written instrument in form reasonably acceptable to Schering-Plough. The Parties shall cooperate in providing information to the

Independent Fiduciary, as requested. Defendants' Insurer shall bear all costs and expenses associated with the Independent Fiduciary.

- 2.4.2. Waiver of Approval by the *Independent Fiduciary*. Schering-Plough shall determine in its sole discretion whether the Settlement shall be contingent on any, some, or all of the conditions identified in clauses (a), (b), and (c) of Section 2.4.1. Any waiver of any of those conditions by Schering-Plough shall be effective only if in writing and signed by an authorized officer of Schering-Plough.
- 2.4.3. Notice of Approval by the Independent Flductary or Waiver. Schering-Plough shall notify Lead Counsel no later than ten (10) days prior to the Fairness Hearing as to whether the Independent Flductary has provided the requisite approval, authorization, or finding, or whether Schering-Plough has elected to waive the conditions identified in clauses (a), (b), and (c) of Section 2.4.1. In the event that Independent Flductary provides the requisite approval, authorization, or finding, the Parties shall cooperate in filing the report of the Independent Flductary approving the Settlement with the District Court no later than five (5) days prior to the Fairness Hearing.

3. RELEASES

- 3.1. <u>Named Plaintiff's</u>, the <u>Settlement Class's</u>, and the <u>Plan's Releases</u>. Upon the <u>Effective Date</u>, the <u>Named Plaintiff</u>, the <u>Settlement Class</u>, and the <u>Plan</u> shall conclusively, absolutely, unconditionally, irrevocably, and forever release and discharge <u>Plaintiff's Released Persons</u> from all of <u>Plaintiff's Released Claims</u>.
- 3.2. <u>Defendants' Releases</u>. Upon the Effective Date, Defendants shall conclusively, absolutely, unconditionally, irrevocably, and forever release and discharge Defendants' Released Persons from all of Defendants' Released Claims.

3.3. Scope of Releases.

- 3.3.1. Nothing in this Settlement shall release or discharge any Claim that (a) has been or could be asserted directly or derivatively by any member of the Settlement Class or the Plan under the federal securities laws or the securities laws of any state regarding the purchase or sale of any Schering-Plough security or debt instrument, or (b) has been asserted in the First Amended Class Action Complaint, filed on October 1, 2009, in In re Schering-Plough Corporation ENHANCE ERISA Litigation, No. 08-cv-1432 (DMC) (D.N.J.) (Docket No. 47).
- 3.3.2. The release and discharge set forth in Sections 3.1 and 3.2 shall not include the release or discharge of any rights or duties of the *Parties* arising out of this *Settlement Agreement*, including the express warranties and covenants contained herein.
- 3.3.3. Named Plaintiff, on her own behalf and on behalf of the Settlement Class and the Plan, and Defendants hereby expressly waive any and all rights and

benefits respectively conferred upon her and them by the provisions of Section 1542 of the California Civil Code and all similar provisions of the statutory or common laws of any other state, territory, or other jurisdiction. Section 1542 reads in pertinent part:

A general release does not extend to claims which the creditor does not know or suspect to exist in his or her favor at the time of executing the release, which if known by him or her must have materially affected his or her settlement with the debtor.

Named Plaintiff, on her own behalf and on behalf of all members of the Settlement Class and the Plan, and Defendants hereby acknowledge that the foregoing waiver of the provisions of Section 1542 of the California Civil Code and all similar provisions of the statutory or common law of any other state, territory, or other jurisdiction is a material term of this Settlement Agreement that was bargained for and without which the Parties would not have entered into this Settlement Agreement.

4. COVENANTS

4.1. Covenants Not to Sue.

- 4.1.1. From and after the Effective Date, Named Plaintiff, on her own behalf and on behalf of the Settlement Class and the Plan, covenant and agree: (a) not to file any Claim, individual or derivative, released under Section 3 against any of Plaintiff's Released Persons or the Plan; and (b) that the foregoing covenant and agreement shall be a complete defense to any such Claims against any of Plaintiff's Released Persons or the Plan.
- 4.1.2. From and after the Effective Date, Defendants covenant and agree (a) not to file any Claim released under Section 3 against any of Defendants' Released Persons or the Plan or any other Defendant; and (b) that the foregoing covenants and agreements shall be a complete defense to any such Claims against any of Defendants' Released Persons, the Plan, or any Defendant.
- 4.2. Taxation of Class Settlement Amount. Named Plaintiff acknowledges on her own behalf, and on behalf of the Settlement Class, that none of the Plaintiff's Released Persons has any responsibility for any taxes due on funds deposited in the Settlement Fund, including those funds that Lead Counsel receives from the Class Settlement Amount, should any be awarded pursuant to Section 10 of this Settlement Agreement. Nothing herein shall constitute an admission or representation that any taxes will or will not be due on the Class Settlement Amount. Nevertheless, the Parties agree that that the amounts allocated pursuant to the Plan of Allocation are being made to restore losses to the Plan on account of the investment in Schering-Plough Stock and therefore are "restorative payments" within the meaning of Revenue Ruling 2002-45.

5. REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

- 5.1. Named Plaintiff's Representations and Warranties.
 - 5.1.1. Named Plaintiff, on her own behalf and on behalf of the Settlement Class, represents and warrants, as of the date hereof and as of the Effective Date, that neither she nor any member of the Settlement Class has sold, assigned, transferred, hypothecated, pledged or encumbered, or otherwise disposed of, in whole or in part, voluntarily or involuntarily, any Claim against any of Plaintiff's Released Persons or the Plan released pursuant to this Agreement, and further covenant that neither she nor any member of the Settlement Class will assign or otherwise transfer any interest in any of Plaintiff's Released Claims.
 - 5.1.2. Named Plaintiff, on her own behalf and on behalf of the Settlement Class, further represents and warrants that, from and after the Effective Date, she and the Settlement Class shall have no surviving Claim against any of the Plaintiff's Released Persons or the Plan with respect to the Plaintiff's Released Claims.
- 5.2. <u>Parties' Representations and Warranties</u>. Each of the *Parties*, on his, her, or its behalf only, represents and warrants, severally and not jointly, to each of the other *Parties*:
 - 5.2.1. That he, she, or it is voluntarily entering into this Settlement Agreement as a result of arms-length negotiations among his, her or its counsel, with the assistance of the Mediator; that in executing this Settlement Agreement he, she, or it is relying solely upon his, her or its own judgment, belief and knowledge, and the advice and recommendations of his, her, or its own independently selected counsel, concerning the nature, extent and duration of his, her, or its rights and Claims hereunder and regarding all matters which relate in any way to the subject matter hereof; and that, except as expressly provided herein, he, she, or it has not been influenced to any extent whatsoever in entering into this Settlement Agreement by any representations, warranties, or statements pertaining to any of the foregoing matters by any Party or by any Person representing any Party.
 - 5.2.2. That he, she, or it assumes the risk of mistake as to facts or law.
 - 5.2.3. That he, she, or it has carefully read the contents of this Settlement Agreement, and that he, she, or it has freely entered into this Settlement Agreement.
 - 5.2.4. That he, she, or it has made such investigation of the facts pertaining to the Settlement, this Settlement Agreement and all of the matters pertaining thereto, as he, she, or it deems necessary.
- 5.3. <u>Signatories' Representations and Warranties</u>. Each individual executing this Settlement Agreement on behalf of any other Person or the Settlement Class does hereby personally represent and warrant to the other Parties that he or she has the authority to

execute this Settlement Agreement on behalf of, and fully bind, each principal whom such individual represents or purports to represent.

6. NO ADMISSION OF LIABILITY

- 6.1. No Decision on the Merits. Each of the Parties understands and agrees that: (a) this Settlement Agreement embodies a compromise settlement of disputed claims for the purpose of avoiding the costs, disruptions, and uncertainties associated with further litigation; (b) nothing in this Settlement Agreement, including the furnishing of consideration for this Settlement Agreement, shall be deemed to constitute any finding of fiduciary status under ERISA or wrongdoing by any of the Defendants, or give rise to any inference of fiduciary status under ERISA or wrongdoing or admission of wrongdoing or liability in the Action or any other proceeding; and (c) this Settlement Agreement and the payments made hereunder do not constitute a ruling on the merits, an admission as to any issue of fact or principle at law, or an admission of any liability or wrongdoing of any kind, and no Party shall assert or suggest otherwise. Defendants specifically and expressly deny any liability or wrongdoing of any kind.
- 6.2. Reliance on FRE 408. This Settlement Agreement has been executed in reliance upon the provisions of Rule 408 of the Federal Rules of Evidence and all cognate state rules precluding the introduction of evidence regarding settlement negotiations or agreements and neither the fact nor the terms of this Settlement Agreement shall be offered or received in evidence, or otherwise introduced in any action or proceeding, for any purpose, except (a) in an action or proceeding seeking to enforce or interpret the terms of this Settlement Agreement or arising out of or relating to the Preliminary Approval Order or the Final Judgment, or (b) in an action or proceeding where the releases or covenants not to sue provided pursuant to Sections 3 and 4 of this Settlement Agreement may serve as a bar to recovery.

7. THE SETTLEMENT FUND AND DEPOSITS INTO THE SETTLEMENT FUND

7.1. The Settlement Fund.

- 7.1.1. No later than five (5) business days after the entry of the *Preliminary Approval Order*, Lead Counsel shall: (a) establish at a federally-insured financial institution (the "Financial Institution") an account for the purpose of holding funds (the "Settlement Fund") to be deposited into the account; and (b) provide notice to Defendants of the information needed to deposit the Class Settlement Amount into the Settlement Fund. The monies in the Settlement Fund shall be considered a common fund created as a result of the Action.
- 7.1.2. The Settlement Fund shall include and retain interest and income earned thereon, for the benefit of Named Plaintiff and the Settlement Class, and shall be invested only in United States Treasury securities and/or securities of United States agencies backed by the full faith and credit of the United States Treasury with a maturity period not to exceed thirty (30) days, repurchase agreements collateralized by such securities, and mutual funds or money market accounts,

provided that such funds or accounts invest exclusively in the foregoing securities.

- 7.1.3. Lead Counsel or a third-party administrator appointed by Lead Counsel shall structure and manage the Settlement Fund to qualify as a Qualified Settlement Fund under Section 468B of the Internal Revenue Code and Treasury regulations promulgated thereunder. It is intended that the Settlement Fund be structured and administered to ensure, to the maximum degree possible, that the portion of the Settlement Fund that is contributed to the Plan pursuant to the Plan of Allocation will qualify for the favorable tax treatment available for tax-qualified plans and trusts under Sections 401(a) and 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code. The Parties shall not take a position in any filing or before any tax authority inconsistent with such intent.
- 7.1.4. All taxes on the income of the Settlement Fund and tax-related expenses incurred in connection with the taxation of the Settlement Fund shall be paid out of the Settlement Fund. Fees and expenses incurred for or by any third-party vendor appointed by Lead Counsel for calculation, allocation, and distribution pursuant to the Plan of Allocation shall also be paid from the Settlement Fund.
- 7.1.5. Lead Counsel shall have signature authority over the Settlement Fund, and shall direct the Financial Institution to pay from the Settlement Fund all reasonable costs of administering the Settlement Fund without further order of the District Court, which expenses shall include: (a) expenses associated with the preparation and filing of all tax reports and tax returns required to be filed by the Settlement Fund; (b) payment of any taxes owed by the Settlement Fund; (c) expenses associated with the preparation and issuance of any required Forms 1099 associated with payments from the Settlement Fund; and (d) fees charged and expenses incurred by the Financial Institution, the Plan trustee, or the third-party vendor associated with administration of the Settlement Fund or the allocation or distribution of the Settlement Fund pursuant to the Plan of Allocation.
- 7.1.6. Lead Counsel shall instruct the Financial Institution to set aside appropriate reserves from the Settlement Fund for taxes and for the purpose of satisfying future or contingent expenses or obligations, including expenses of Settlement Fund administration, before any disbursement is made as provided in Section 8 of this Settlement Agreement. Defendants shall take no position, directly or indirectly, with respect to such matters.
- 7.1.7. Except as provided in Sections 8 and 10 of the Settlement Agreement, no monies shall be paid to Lead Counsel, Ltaison Counsel, Named Plaintiff, the Settlement Class, or the Plan from the Settlement Fund, and neither Lead Counsel nor Liaison Counsel shall seek or obtain any monies from the Settlement Fund.
- 7.1.8. The Parties acknowledge and agree that Defendants shall have no authority, control, or liability in connection with the design, management,

administration, investment, maintenance, or control of the Settlement Fund, for any expenses the Settlement Fund may incur, or for any taxes that may be payable by the Settlement Fund or any direct or indirect distributee therefrom.

- 7.2. The Class Settlement Amount. In consideration of, and expressly in exchange for, all of the promises and agreements set forth in this Settlement Agreement, Defendants, through Defendants' Insurer, shall cause the Class Settlement Amount to be deposited into the Settlement Fund within thirty (30) days following entry of the Preliminary Approval Order. Lead Counsel shall provide to Defendants' Insurer any information in writing needed to fund the Settlement no later than ten (10) days prior to such funding deadline.
- 7.3. Sole Monetary Contribution. The Class Settlement Amount shall be the full and sole monetary obligation of Defendants in connection with the Settlement and under this Settlement Agreement, and shall be paid into the Settlement Fund by Defendants' Insurer. No other fees or amounts are payable by Defendants pursuant to this Settlement Agreement at any time. The Class Settlement Amount specifically covers any Claims for any costs or expenses associated with or related to the Class Notice. Except as otherwise specified in this Settlement Agreement or in the insurance policy between Defendants and Defendants' Insurer, the Parties shall bear their own costs and expenses (including attorneys' fees) in connection with the Settlement, the negotiation and documentation of this Settlement Agreement, and securing all necessary court orders and approvals with respect to the same.

8. PAYMENTS FROM THE SETTLEMENT FUND

- 8.1. <u>Parties' Expenses</u>. Except as otherwise provided for herein, Defendants and their counsel shall not charge any fees or expenses to the Settlement Fund. All other costs not provided for herein that Defendants incur relating to the Settlement shall be borne by Defendants or Defendants' Insurer. All other costs not provided for herein that the Named Plaintiff or the Settlement Class incurs relating to the Settlement shall be borne by Named Plaintiff.
- 8.2. Expenses of Class Notice. Lead Counsel shall direct the Financial Institution in writing to disburse from the Settlement Fund the payment of costs of the Class Notice.
- 8.3. <u>Disbursements from the Settlement Fund</u>. Lead Counsel shall direct the Financial Institution to disburse money from the Settlement Fund as follows:
 - 8.3.1. For any Case Contribution Award, as provided in Section 10.3.
 - 8.3.2. For taxes and expenses of the Settlement Fund, as provided in Section 7.1.4.
 - 8.3.3. For the *Plan of Allocation*, *Lead Counsel* shall propose to the *District Court* a *Plan of Allocation* in substantial conformity to the one attached hereto as *Exhibit 3*, which shall provide for the calculation, allocation, and distribution of

the Settlement Fund net of the disbursements called for in Section 7 and this Section 8 ("Net Proceeds"). Such Plan of Allocation shall provide the method by which the specific dollar amount to be allocated by the Plan to the Plan account of each member of the Settlement Class will be calculated. The Plan of Allocation proposed by Lead Counsel shall be sufficiently specific to allow any third-party vendor appointed by Lead Counsel, subject to the consent of Schering-Plough, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, to perform the calculations called for in the Plan of Allocation. As soon as is reasonably practicable after the Effective Date, Lead Counsel shall direct the Financial Institution to disburse the Net Proceeds to the Plan for allocation to the Plan accounts of members of the Settlement Class in accordance with the Plan of Allocation. Defendants, to the extent they were participants or beneficiaries of the Plan at any time during the Class Period, will be excluded from the Plan of Allocation. The Plan of Allocation is a matter separate and apart from the Settlement between the Parties, and no decision by the District Court or any other court concerning the Plan of Allocation shall affect the validity of the Settlement Agreement, the releases or covenants granted herein or the finality of the Settlement.

8.3.4. For attorneys' fees and expenses, as described in Section 10.1.

9. TERMINATION OF THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

- 9.1. <u>Termination</u>. This Settlement Agreement shall terminate automatically without further action by any Party in the event any of the conditions of Sections 2.1.3 or 2.3 of this Settlement Agreement is not fully satisfied. The Settlement Agreement shall be terminable by any Party by written notice to the other Parties if any of the conditions of Sections 2.1.1, 2.1.2, 2.1.4, 2.1.5, 2.2, 2.4.1, 2.4.2, 2.4.3, or 7.2 is not fully satisfied or waived in writing by the Party entitled to the benefit of the condition pursuant to its terms. If the Settlement Agreement is terminated, either automatically or by a Party, the Settlement shall be null and void, except the provisions set forth in Sections 9.2.1, 9.2.2, and 9.2.3 (and any other Section expressly incorporated therein) of the Settlement Agreement shall survive any such termination.
- 9.2. <u>Consequences of Termination of the Settlement Agreement</u>. If the Settlement Agreement is terminated and rendered null and void for any reason specified in Section 9.1, the following shall occur:
 - 9.2.1. Upon written notice by Defendants that the Settlement Agreement has been terminated, Lead Counsel shall instruct the Financial Institution in writing to return to Defendants within ten (10) days the amounts contributed to the Settlement Fund, with all interest and income earned thereon, except that neither Lead Counsel nor any other Person shall have an obligation to reimburse to the Settlement Fund for the costs of the Class Notice, or other costs and expenses of the Settlement Fund charged to the Settlement Fund under Section 7.1.5 of the Settlement Agreement.

- 9.2.2. The Action shall for all purposes with respect to the Parties revert to its status as of the day immediately before the Agreement Execution Date.
- 9.2.3. Neither the fact nor the terms of this Settlement Agreement shall be offered or received in evidence in any action or proceeding for any purpose, except in an action or proceeding arising under, or to give effect to a provision of, this Settlement Agreement. The understandings and agreements contained in Sections 6.1 and 6.2 shall survive any termination of this Settlement Agreement.

10. ATTORNEYS' FEES AND EXPENSES

- 10.1. Application for Attorneys' Fees and Expenses. Lead Counsel (and only Lead Counsel) may apply to the District Court for an award of attorneys' fees and for reimbursement of expenses to be paid from the Settlement Fund, including fees incurred in securing all necessary court orders and approvals with respect to the Settlement Agreement. Defendants will not take any position on any fee request submitted by Lead Counsel, provided that Lead Counsel does not request an award of attorneys' fees in excess of 30% of the Settlement Fund, and Defendants will not take any position on any request for reimbursement of expenses reasonably incurred in prosecuting the Action. In no event shall Lead Counsel seek reimbursement of any attorneys' fees or expenses incurred in their application for attorneys' fees and expenses or the application for a Case Contribution Award, except as provided in this Section 10.1.
- 10.2. <u>Disbursement of Attorneys' Fees and Expenses</u>. Lead Counsel may direct payment of any court-approved award of fees and expenses from the Settlement Fund after the date on which the District Court enters Final Judgment and (if separate) an order approving Lead Counsel's application for fees and expenses. In the event that, before the Effective Date, the Settlement is set aside or the award of attorneys' fees and expenses is set aside or modified, Lead Counsel shall promptly deposit into the Settlement Fund the attorneys' fees and expenses paid out which has been set aside or modified, plus interest on fees accrued thereon for the period from payment from the Settlement Fund to Lead Counsel at a rate equal to the rate of interest earned by the Settlement Fund during the same period.
- 10.3. <u>Application for Named Plaintiff's Contribution Award</u>. Lead Counsel may apply to the District Court for a Case Contribution Award payable to the Named Plaintiff solely from the Settlement Fund. Defendants will not take any position on any request for a Case Contribution Award.
- 10.4. <u>Disbursement of Named Plaintiff's Contribution Award</u>. After the Effective Date, Lead Counsel may instruct the Financial Institution in writing to disburse payment to the Named Plaintiff in the amount awarded by the District Court (or as modified, as necessary, following any appeal) as the Case Contribution Award from the Settlement Fund.
- 10.5. <u>Post-Award Expenses</u>. Lead Counsel may make a supplemental application to the District Court for an award of reasonable expenses with respect to post-Settlement

proceedings and administration, and any such award shall be payable only from the Settlement Fund and not by any Defendant.

11. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

- 11.1. Governing Law. This Settlement Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of New Jersey without giving effect to the conflict of laws or choice of law provisions thereof, except to the extent that the law of the United States governs any matter set forth herein, in which case such federal law shall govern.
- 11.2. Severability. In the event that any court with original or appellate jurisdiction over this Action issues a Final determination that any portion of Section 3 of this Settlement Agreement is not enforceable, the Parties may (but shall not be required to) jointly agree in writing to modify Section 3 to conform with such determination. With the sole exception set forth in the preceding sentence, the provisions of this Settlement Agreement are not severable.
- 11.3. <u>Amendment</u>. Before entry of the *Final Judgment*, the *Settlement Agreement* may be modified or amended only by written agreement signed by or on behalf of all *Parties* with notice to be given to the *District Court* of the agreed modification or amendment. Following entry of the *Final Judgment*, the *Settlement Agreement* may be modified or amended only by written agreement signed by or on behalf of all *Parties*, and approved by the *District Court*.
- 11.4. <u>Waiver</u>. The provisions of this Settlement Agreement may be waived only by an instrument in writing executed by the waiving Party. The waiver by any Party of any breach of this Settlement Agreement shall not be deemed to be or construed as a waiver of any other breach, whether prior, subsequent, or contemporaneous, of this Settlement Agreement.
- 11.5. <u>Construction</u>. None of the *Parties* hereto shall be considered to be the drafter of this *Settlement Agreement* or any provision hereof for the purpose of any statute, case law or rule of interpretation or construction that would or might cause any provision to be construed against the drafter hereof.
- 11.6. <u>Principles of Interpretation</u>. The following principles of interpretation apply to this Settlement Agreement.
 - 11.6.1. <u>Headings</u>. The headings of this Settlement Agreement are for reference purposes only and do not affect in any way the meaning or interpretation of this Settlement Agreement.
 - 11.6.2. <u>Singular and Plural</u>. Definitions apply to the singular and plural forms of each defined term.
 - 11.6.3. Gender. Definitions apply to the masculine, feminine, and neuter genders of each defined term.

- 11.6.4. <u>References to a Person</u>. References to a Person are also to the Person's Successors-in-Interest.
- 11.6.5. <u>Terms of Inclusion</u>. Whenever the words "include," "includes," or "including" are used in this *Settlement Agreement*, they shall not be limiting but rather shall be deemed to be followed by the words "but not limited to."
- 11.7. <u>Further Assurances</u>. Each of the *Parties* agrees, without further consideration and as part of effectuating the *Settlement*, that they will in good faith execute and deliver such other documents and take such other actions as may be reasonably necessary to consummate and effectuate the subject matter and purpose of this *Settlement Agreement*.
- 11.8. Notices. Any notice, demand or other communication under this Settlement Agreement (other than the Class Notice, or other notices given at the direction of the District Court) shall be in writing and shall be deemed duly given upon receipt if it is addressed to each of the intended recipients as set forth below and personally delivered, sent by registered or certified mail (postage prepaid) or delivered by reputable express overnight courier.

IF TO NAMED PLAINTIFF OR THE SETTLEMENT CLASS:

Joseph H. Meltzer BARROWAY TOPAZ KESSLER MELTZER & CHECK, LLP 280 King of Prussia Road Radnor, Pennsylvania 19087 Telephone: (610) 667-7706 Facsimile: (610) 667-7056

IF TO DEFENDANTS:

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- 11.9. Entire Agreement. This Settlement Agreement contains the entire agreement among the Parties relating to this Settlement.
- 11.10. <u>Counterparts</u>. This Settlement Agreement, and any amendments thereto, and waivers of conditions, may be executed by exchange of executed signature pages by facsimile or Portable Document Format ("PDF") as an electronic mail attachment, and any signature transmitted by facsimile or PDF via electronic mail for the purpose of executing this Settlement Agreement shall be deemed an original signature for purposes of this Settlement Agreement. This Settlement Agreement may be executed in several

counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, and all of which, taken together, shall constitute one and the same instrument.

- 11.11. <u>Binding Effect</u>. This Settlement Agreement binds and inures to the benefit of the Parties hereto, their assigns, heirs, administrators, executors and successors.
- 11.12. Agreement Execution Date. The date on which the final signature is affixed below shall be the Agreement Execution Date.
- 11.13. No Benefits to Non-Parties. Except as otherwise expressly stated herein, this Settlement Agreement is not intended to confer any benefits upon any Person.
- 11.14. <u>Deadlines Falling on Weekends or Holidays</u>. To the extent that any deadline set forth in this *Settlement Agreement* falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, that deadline shall be continued until the following business day.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Settlement Agreement on the dates set forth below.

FOR NAMED PLAINTIFF AND ON BEHALF OF	THE	SETTLEMENT CLASS:
Dated:	Ву:	Joseph H. Meltzer Edward W. Ciolko Peter H. LeVan, Jr. BARROWAY TOPAZ KESSLER MELTZER & CHECK, LLP 280 King of Prussia Road Radnor, Pennsylvania 19087 Telephone: (610) 667-7706
FOR DEFENDANTS: Dated: 7 / 15 / 10	Ву:	Facsimile: (610) 667-7056 Lead Counsel for Named Plaintiff and the Settlement Class Eric Bosset Frederick G. Sandstrom COVINGTON & BURLING LLP 1201 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Washington, D.C. 20004 Telephone: (202) 662-5606 Facsimile: (202) 662-6291

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